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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, BM

SUBJECT: INVOLVEMENT OF RTG HELICOPTERS IN ILLICIT NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING

REFS: BANGKOK 21808 AND PREVIOUS

1. DURING MEETINGS WITH DEPARTMENT AND DEA OFFICIALS, GENERALS CHUMPHON LOHACHALA AND POW SARASIN RAISED THE ISSUE OF RTG HELICOPTER INVOLVEMENT IN NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING. THEY MADE THE POINT THAT MORE DETAILED INFORMATION THAN THEY HAD RECEIVED FROM THE EMBASSY WAS NECESSARY IF THEY WERE TO TAKE EFFECTIVE REMEDIAL ACTION IN THIS MATTER. SPECIFICALLY, THE THAIS REQUESTED SUCH DETAILS AS DATES, PLACES, AND PERSONS INVOLVED IN THIS MISUSE OF HELICOPTERS.

2. THE DEPARTMENT THINKS SUCH A REQUEST IS REASONABLE.
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IN YOUR OCTOBER 17 MEETING WITH THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF

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INTERIOR, YOU SHOULD PROVIDE ALL DETAILS POSSIBLE
CONCERNING THE CASE IN QUESTION.

3. FYI: IS THE DEPUTY MINISTER INVOLVED BUNLOET
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